



April 26, 2022

**SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (018226):** Increases, from 10 to 12, the number of members serving on the State Textbook and Instructional Materials Quality Commission (Commission) beginning July 1, 2022. Revises the composition of the commission membership. Requires the Commission to issue guidance for local education agencies (LEAs) and public charter schools to use when reviewing materials in a library collection to ensure that the materials are appropriate for students by December 1, 2022 and to update the list by December 1 each year thereafter. Requires the State Library Coordinator to recommend a list of materials to the Commission for review and approval. Requires the Commission to create a process for parents to petition a decision.

Requires the Tennessee State Library Coordinator to create a list of approved library books and to serve as an ex officio non-voting member of the Commission. This section is dependent upon Senate Bill 1784/House Bill 1667 becoming law. Repeals Senate Bill 2407/House Bill 2154 on December 31, 2022 if such bill becomes law.

**FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$800/FY22-23 and Subsequent Years**

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Individuals appointed pursuant to this section are required to serve an initial term of three years that will expire on June 30, 2025.
- Members of the Commission are not compensated for their services but may be reimbursed for travel expenses.
- The Commission meets three times per year on average.
- Members will receive \$0.47 per mile with the average miles traveled per member estimated to be 275 miles roundtrip. The average mileage reimbursement for each meeting is estimated to be \$129.25 (\$0.47 per mile x 275 miles).
- Because the Commission is increasing its membership from 10 to 12, there will be an additional two members eligible to receive reimbursement for travel expenses.
- It is estimated that additional members serving on the Commission will result in a recurring increase in state expenditures, beginning in FY22-23 and subsequent years, of \$775.50 [(2 members x \$129.25 x 3 meetings)].
- The State Library Coordinator will be able to compile and submit a list within existing resources without a significant increase in state expenditures.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Handwritten signature of Krista Lee Carsner in black ink.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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